## STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

- (currently amended) A system, comprising:
  - a) an MRI device, and
  - b) software, wherein said software is configured to receive data obtained from said MRI device, wherein said data comprise at least one pair of consecutive in-phase and out-phase echos of a sample <u>collected in magnitude format</u>, wherein said software is further configured to process said at least one pair of consecutive in-phase and out-phase echos <u>collected in magnitude format</u>, wherein said processing comprises generating a percent of fat content within a sample, wherein said software is further configured to display said fat percentage within said sample.
- (original) The system of Claim 1, wherein said sample is selected from the group consisting of a human head and neck, a human chest, a human abdomen, a human pelvis, and a human extremity.
- 3. (original) The system of Claim 1, wherein said sample is a human liver.
- 4. (original) The system of Claim 1, wherein said sample is abnormal tissue or lesion.
- (original) The system of Claim 1, wherein said data obtained from said MRI device comprises:
  - a) at least one image obtained with a low flip angle; and
  - b) at least one image obtained with a high flip angle.
- 6. (original) The system of Claim 5, wherein said low flip angle setting is 20 degrees.
- 7. (original) The system of Claim 5, wherein said high flip angle setting is 70 degrees.

- 8. (original) The system of Claim 1, wherein said MRI device is configured to analyze a clinical pulse sequence, wherein said clinical pulse sequence comprises a corrected T2\* NMR relaxation effect value, wherein said corrected T2\* NMR relaxation effect value is obtained through processing consecutive in-phase sample echos or consecutive out-phase echos of said sample.
- (original) The system of Claim 8, wherein said processing consecutive in-phase sample signals or consecutive out-phase signals of said sample comprises application of an equation selected from the group consisting of:

$$Sin-phase\_T2*corrected = Sin-phase! \bullet \sqrt{Sin-phase!/Sin-phase2}$$
; and  $Sin-phase\_T2*corrected = Sin-phase! \bullet \sqrt{Sout-phase!/Sout-phase2}$ ; and  $Sout-phase\_T2*corrected = Sout-phase! \bullet \sqrt{Sin-phase!/Sin-phase2}$ ; and  $Sout-phase\_T2*corrected = Sout-phase! \bullet \sqrt{Sout-phase!/Sout-phase2}$ .

- 10. (currently amended) A system, comprising software, wherein said software is configured to receive data obtained from a MRI imaging device, wherein said data comprise at least one pair of consecutive in-phase or out-phase echos of a sample collected in magnitude format, wherein said software is further configured to process said at least one pair of consecutive in-phase or out-phase echos collected in magnitude format, wherein said processing comprises generating a percent of fat content within a sample, wherein said software is further configured to display said fat percentage within said sample.
- 11. (original) The system of Claim 10, wherein said sample is selected from the group consisting of a human head and neck, human chest, a human abdomen, a human pelvis, and a human extremity.
- 12. (original) The system of Claim 10, wherein said sample is a human liver.

- 13. (original) The system of Claim 10, wherein said sample is abnormal tissue or lesion.
- 14. (original) The system of Claim 10, wherein said data obtained from said MRI device comprises:
  - a) at least one image obtained with a low flip angle; and
  - b) at least one image obtained with a high flip angle.
- 15. (original) The system of Claim 10, wherein said low flip angle setting is 20 degrees.
- 16. (original) The system of Claim 10, wherein said high flip angle setting is 70 degrees.
- 17. (original) The system of Claim 10, wherein said MRI imaging device is configured to analyze a clinical pulse sequence, wherein said clinical pulse sequence comprises a corrected T2\* NMR relaxation effect value, wherein said corrected T2\* NMR relaxation effect value is obtained through processing consecutive in-phase sample echos and consecutive out-phase echos of said sample.
- 18. (original) The system of Claim 15, wherein said processing consecutive in-phase sample signals and consecutive out-phase signals of said sample comprises application of an equation selected from the group consisting of:

$$Sin-phase\_T2*corrected = Sin-phase! \bullet \sqrt{Sin-phase!/Sin-phase2}$$
; and  $Sin-phase\_T2*corrected = Sin-phase! \bullet \sqrt{Sout-phase!/Sout-phase2}$ ; and  $Sout-phase\_T2*corrected = Sout-phase! \bullet \sqrt{Sin-phase!/Sin-phase2}$ ; and  $Sout-phase\_T2*corrected = Sout-phase! \bullet \sqrt{Sout-phase!/Sout-phase2}$ 

- (original) A method of generating a percentage of fat within a sample, comprising using the system of Claim 1.
- (original) A method of generating a percentage of fat within a sample, comprising using the system of Claim 10.